

FCC Commissioners  
The Federal Communications Commission RE: Docket 04-435  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear FCC Commissioners ,

I am writing to voice my concerns about the FCC's proposal to relax the restrictions on the use of cell phones on airplanes in flight.

On long flights, most people choose to nap for at least a portion of the flight to arrive at their destination refreshed. Can you imagine trying to get some rest when all sorts of cell phones start ringing and people talking louder to overcome the poor reception? The need for quiet on the plane is why headsets are distributed for the in-flight movie. So as not to disturb those who need to rest.

There is no hard evidence that cell phone use doesn't interfere with navigational instruments. The introduction of cell phone use in the cabin will not only increase tension among passengers, it will compromise flight attendants' ability to maintain order in an emergency. Cell phone use could also enable terrorists to coordinate a plan of action more effectively.

Please leave the current rules in effect.

Sincerely,

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Senator Carl Levin  
Senator Debbie Stabenow  
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